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7. (amended) The bookmark according to claim 1, wherein the bookmark body is a plastic bag which contains the protective surface and the folding sheet disposed at two ends of the plastic bag respectively, there is a gap between the protective surface and the folding sheet, and a plastic bag portion within the gap is bendable.
8. (amended) The bookmark according to claim 7, wherein the protective surface and the folding sheet are disposed inside of the plastic bag by heat melting.
9. (amended) The bookmark according to claim 5, wherein the bending surface includes a plurality of parallel folding lines or a groove.
10. (amended) The bookmark according to claim 5, wherein the bookmark clip is formed by folding the protective surface in corrugated shape.
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#### REMARKS

Claims 1-10 were rejected in this Office Action. In response, claim 4 is being deleted, and claims 1-3 and 5-10 are being amended. Accordingly, claims 1-3 and 5-10 are pending in this Application.

#### Response to Drawing Objections:

The Examiner objected to Figure 5B because reference number "53" is not stated in the specification. In Figure 5B, reference number 53 is used to indicate "bending surface." However, in the specification that is being currently examined, the "bending surface" is incorrectly indicated as reference number "63" (see 4th paragraph on page 5 of the specification that is being currently examined). In response, Applicant is submitting a substitute specification in which "bending surface 53" is correctly stated (see 41th paragraph of the substitute specification).

The Examiner also objected to claim 4 because the feature of “bookmark is fixed on the bookmark body in perforation form” as stated in claim 4 is not shown in drawings. In response, claim 4 is being deleted.

The Examiner further objected to claim 7 because the Examiner believed that the feature of “bookmark is covered by a plastic bag” as stated in claim 7 is not shown in drawings. Applicant respectfully disagrees with the Examiner. Specifically, the “plastic bag” is shown as element 40 in Figure 4B and described in the third paragraph on page 5 of the specification that is being examined.

Response to Claim Objections:

The Examiner objected to claim 7 because it depends from claim 7 itself. In response, claim 7 is being amended to depend from claim 1.

Response to Claim Rejections under 35 USC 112:

The Examiner rejected claim 1 for reciting the limitations of “the book covers”, “the purpose”, “the book” and the book content pages.” The Examiner stated there is insufficient antecedent basis for these limitations in claim 1. In response, claim 1 is being amended to set appropriate antecedent basis in claim 1.

The Examiner rejected claim 4 for reciting the limitation of “perforating form.” The Examiner stated there is insufficient antecedent basis for these limitations in claim 4. In response, claim 4 is being deleted.

The Examiner rejected claim 5, which depends from claim 1, for disclosing “a bookmark clip that is created by folding one side of the bookmark body.” The Examiner considers that such claim language is contradictory because claim 1 discloses “a bookmark clip that is fixed on the bookmark body.” The Examiner raised the question “How can it be when the bookmark clip is a separable component as defined in claim 1?” In response, claim 5 is being amended into an independent claim, in which the bookmark

clip is formed on the bookmark body by folding one side of the bookmark body. Such an amendment overcomes this rejection.

The Examiner rejected claim 6 for reciting the limitations of “the said bending.” The Examiner stated there is insufficient antecedent basis for this limitation in claim 6. In response, claim 6 is being amended to set appropriate antecedent basis in claim 6.

The Examiner rejected claim 7 for reciting the limitations of “two sides” and “the said bookmark body is covered by a plastic bag.” The Examiner stated there is insufficient antecedent basis for these limitations in claim 7. In response, claim 7 is being amended as follows:

7. (amended) The bookmark of claim 1, wherein the bookmark body is a plastic bag which contains the protective surface and the folding sheet disposed at two ends of the plastic bag respectively, there is a gap between the protective surface and the folding sheet, and a plastic bag portion within the gap is bendable. (Emphasis added).

Such an amendment is supported by the application that is currently being examined. Specifically, Figure 4B shows a plastic bag 40 having a gap portion 43. The protective surface 41 is located at one end of the gap portion 43 and the folding sheet 42 at the other end of the gap portion 43. Such an amendment overcomes this rejection.

The Examiner rejected claim 9 for reciting the limitation of “the bending surface.” The Examiner stated there is insufficient antecedent basis for this limitation in claim 9. In response, claim 9 is being amended to set appropriate antecedent basis in claim 9.

Response to Claim Rejections under 35 USC 102:

Claims 1-3 and 5 were rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Dulberger (5,244,232). Applicant submits that claims 1 and 5, as amended, overcome this rejection.

Specifically, claims 1 and 5, as amended, recite a bookmark having a bookmark clip and a bookmark body, where *the bookmark clip has a width that is substantially equal to that of the bookmark body*. By contrast, in Dulberger, *clip bend 11 is substantially narrower than clip base 12* (see Figure 1A in Dulberger's specification). Therefore, claims 1 and 5 are allowable over Dulberger under 35 USC 102. Claims 2 and 3 depend from claim 1. Therefore, they are allowable at least for the same reason in connection with claim 1.

Response to Claim Rejection under 35 USC 103:

Claims 6-10 was rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Dulberger in view of Lee (6,357,797). Applicant submits that claims 6-10, as amended, overcome this rejection.

Specifically, claims 1 and 5, as amended, recite a bookmark having a bookmark clip and a bookmark body, on which *the bookmark clip has a width that is substantially equal to that of the bookmark body*. By contrast, in Dulberger, *clip bend 11 is substantially narrower than clip base 12* (see Figure 1A in Dulberger's specification). In fact, Dulberger teaches away from a bookmark having a bookmark clip and a bookmark body, where *the bookmark clip has a width that is substantially equal to that of the bookmark body*. Specifically, as shown in Figures 2A-2C of Dulberger's specification, clip bend 11 can rest on the top edge of the book's binding 15 and clip base 12 can rest on the outside of the book's binding 15. In Dulberger, if clip bend 11 had a width that is substantially equal to that of clip base 12, clip base 12 *would be unable* to rest on the outside of the book's binding 15 as depicted in Figures 2A-2C of Dulberger's specification. Likewise, Lee does not disclose or suggest a bookmark having a bookmark clip and a bookmark body, where *the bookmark clip has a width that is substantially equal to that of the bookmark body*.

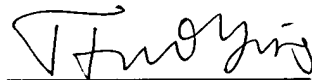
Therefore, claims 1 and 5 are allowable over Dulberger in view of Lee under 35 USC 103(a). Claims 6-10 depend from either claim 1 or claim 5. Therefore, they are allowable at least for the same reason in connection with claim 1 or claim 5.

Conclusion:

In view of the forgoing, all pending claims (claims 1-3, and 5-10) are deemed in allowable condition. Allowance for all pending claims is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee to Deposit Account 50-2125. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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## APPENDIX

### Marked-up Copy of the Amended Claims:

1. (amended) A bookmark [including a bookmark body is characterized in that it also contains a bookmark clip that is fixed on the bookmark body to claim the book cover or content pages for the purpose of avoiding the bookmark dropping-off from the book; the said bookmark body is bendable and can be divided into three parts: a protection surface of fixing the said bookmark clip, bend surface and folding sheet insertable in the book content pages] comprising:

<sup>102</sup> a bookmark body including a bookmark clip that is mounted on the bookmark body to clamp a book cover or at least one content page of a book;

wherein the bookmark clip has a width that is substantially equal to that of the bookmark body and wherein the bookmark body includes a protection surface for mounting the bookmark clip, a bendable surface and a folding sheet capable of being inserted into inner pages of the book.

<sup>102</sup> 2. (amended) The bookmark according to claim 1, [which characterized in that the said bookmark clip can be made of plastic, metal and other tenacity materials] wherein the bookmark clip is made of plastic, metal or other resilient material.

<sup>dy</sup> 3. (amended) The bookmark of claim 1, [which characterized in that the said bookmark clip is fixed on the bookmark body in form of paste] wherein the bookmark clip is adhesively mounted on the bookmark body.

4. (deleted)

<sup>102</sup> 5. (amended) A [The] bookmark [according to claim 1, which characterized in that the said bookmark body and bookmark clip were formed entirely using sole materials, and the said bookmark clip is created by folding one side of the bookmark body] comprising:  
a bookmark body including a bookmark clip that is formed on the bookmark body to clamp a book cover or at least one content page of a book;

wherein the bookmark clip has a width that is substantially equal to that of the bookmark body and is formed by folding one side of the bookmark body and wherein the bookmark clip can clip inner pages of a book to insert the bookmark body between two inner pages of the book.

103 6. (amended) The bookmark according to claim 1, [which characterized in that a number of parallel folding lines or one groove are set on the said bending surface] wherein the bending surface includes a plurality of parallel folding lines or a groove.

7. (amended) The bookmark according to claim [7] 1, [which characterized in that the said bookmark body is a plastic bag which containing the said protective surface and the said folding sheet in the two sides respectively; there is a gap between the said protective surface, and the plastic bag in the said gap is bendable] wherein the bookmark body is a plastic bag which contains the protective surface and the folding sheet disposed at two ends of the plastic bag respectively, there is a gap between the protective surface and the folding sheet, and a plastic bag portion within the gap is bendable.

8. (amended) The bookmark according to claim 7, [which characterized in that the said protective surface and the folding sheet are fixed inside of the plastic bag by hot melting] wherein the protective surface and the folding sheet are disposed inside of the plastic bag by hot melting.

9. (amended) The bookmark according to claim [7] 5, [which characterized in that a number of parallel folding lines or one grove are set on the bending surface] wherein the bending surface includes a plurality of parallel folding lines or a groove.

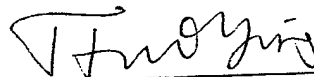
10. (amended) The bookmark according to claim 5, [which characterized in that the said bookmark clip is formed by folding the described protective surface in accordion shape] wherein the bookmark clip is formed by folding the protective surface in corrugated shape.

Conclusion:

In view of the forgoing, all pending claims (claims 1-3, and 5-10) are deemed in allowable condition. Allowance for all pending claims is respectfully requested.

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